

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

In the above-mentioned Office Action, claims 17-22 were allowed, and claims 1-6, 8-13, and 15-22 were rejected. Claims 1-5 and 8-12 were rejected under Section 102(b) over Yi. Claims 6 and 13 were rejected under Section 103(a) over the combination of Yi and Brame. Claims 15 and 16 were rejected under Section 103(a) over the combination of Yi and Odenwalder. And, claims 8-13 and 16 were provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory, obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-11 of co-pending application number 12/014,550.

The Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's allowance of claims 17-22.

To expedite allowance and issuance of the application, without acquiescing in the claim rejections of such claims, claims 1-16 have cancelled. And, a terminal disclaimer that disclaims the terminal portion of any patent granted on the instant application that would extend beyond the expiration of the full statutory term of any patent granted on application number 12/014,550 is enclosed.

In light of the foregoing, therefore, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of the application is respectfully requested. Such early action is earnestly solicited.

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